

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 736

By Shepard

A RESOLUTION to name a certain segment of State Highway 230 East in Hickman County in honor of the late Jamie Hassell Barnett.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges in honor of those exemplary public servants who contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than the late Trooper Jamie Hassell Barnett, Tennessee Highway Patrol, of Hickman County; and

WHEREAS, Jamie Hassell Barnett served with courage and distinction as a member of the Tennessee Highway Patrol for more than twelve years, having given a total of twenty years of dedicated service to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, born July 26, 1965, Jamie Hassell Barnett, was raised in the Little Lot, Hassell's Creek area of Hickman County along with numerous family members, which is the general area of State Highway 230 East from the intersection at Highway 100 from the Corner Market to the intersection of Highway 50 East; and

WHEREAS, assigned to her home county and residing in Centerville, Trooper Jamie Hassell Barnett patrolled this road on behalf of the State of Tennessee as she worked assiduously to ensure the safety and well-being of the good people of Hickman County; and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2006, Trooper Jamie Hassell Barnett was fatally injured, leaving two beloved sons, Anthony and Aaron, and a tremendous void in her community; and

WHEREAS, in appreciation of her meritorious service as an officer of the law and public servant, the Hickman County Commission has memorialized this body to name a certain segment of State Highway 230 to permanently commemorate Trooper Jamie Hassell Barnett's distinguished life of purpose and commitment; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal and most appropriate tribute; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the segment of State Highway 230 beginning at the intersection of Highway 230 East and Highway 100 from the Corner Market to its intersection with Highway 50 East is hereby designated as the "Trooper Jamie Hassell Barnett Memorial Highway" in recognition of an outstanding public servant who exemplified the true spirit of the Volunteer State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such segment of State Highway 230 East as the "Trooper Jamie Hassell Barnett Memorial Highway."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation from non-state funds within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for such signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department in non-state funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with the final six resolving clauses omitted from such copy.